Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The state of South Dakota is home of Melvin Anderson, and we are richer because Melvin lives among us; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love, as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Melvin was born on September 9, 1936, in Dupree, South Dakota, to Arthur and Rose Anderson, and he grew up on the Cheyenne River Reservation and attended Eagle Butte High School; and,

Whereas, Melvin married Dorothy Gall/Derring on November 20, 1981, uniting two families, and together, Melvin and Dorothy rejoice in their 5 children, 11 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Melvin and Dorothy reside at 73 Ranch, Wasta, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Melvin and will observe his 80th birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his family and friends gather to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim September 9, 2016, as

MELVIN ANDERSON DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him a happy 80th birthday.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-second Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Shantel Krebs

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State